

## **Traffic Engineering Division**

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TO: Plan Commission

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SUBJECT: 505 to 555 South Midvale Blvd. - Rezoning / Demolish - Build 3 & 4 Story

Mixed Use Development w/Library, Retail, 142 Dwelling Units

The City Traffic Engineering Division has reviewed the subject development and has the following comments.

**MAJOR OR NON-STANDARD REVIEW COMMENTS** (Comments which are special to the project and/or may require additional work beyond a standard, more routine project.)

- 1. The final results of the developer's traffic impact study shall be reviewed and approved by the Traffic Engineer prior to final sign-off on the first SIP.
- 2. Approval of this facility does not include the approval of the proposed improvements in the street right-of-way. The applicant should remove all proposed improvements in the right-of-way on the site plan sheets or note: "All right-of-way improvements require separate approval by the Board of Public Works and Common Council for the public right-of-way changes to be requested by the developer."
- 3. Any changes to on-street parking on public streets is reviewed and approved by a separate, independent process with the Traffic Engineer.

## **GENERAL OR STANDARD REVIEW COMMENTS**

In addition, we offer the following General or Standard Review Comments:

- 4. When the applicant submits final plans for approval, the applicant shall show the following: items in the terrace as existing (e.g., signs and street light poles), type of surfaces, existing property lines, addresses, one contiguous plan (showing all easements, all pavement markings, building placement, and stalls), adjacent driveway approaches to lots on either side and across the street, signage, percent of slope, vehicle routes, dimensions of radii, aisles, driveways, stalls including the two (2) feet overhang, and a scaled drawing at 1" = 20'.
- 5. "Stop" and "No Left Turns" signs shall be installed at a height of six (6) feet to the bottom of the first sign at the driveway approach to Midvale Blvd. and a "Stop" sign shall be installed at a height of seven (7) feet at the Caromar Drive. driveway approach. All signs at the approaches shall be installed behind the property line. All directional/regulatory signage and pavement markings on the site shall be shown and noted on the plan.

- 6. The intersection shall be so designed so as not to violate the City's sight-triangle preservations requirement which states that on a corner lot no structure, screening, or embankment of any kind shall be erected, placed, maintained or grown between the heights of 30 inches and 10 feet above the curb level or its equivalent within the triangle space formed by the two intersecting street lines or their projections and a line joining points on such street lines located a minimum of 25 feet from the street intersection in order to provide adequate vehicular vision clearance.
- 7. The applicant shall design the phase 1 & 2 underground parking areas for stalls and backing up according to Figures II of the ordinance using the 9' or wider stall for the commercial/retail area. The "One Size Fits All" stall shall be used for the residential parking area only, which is a stall 8'-9" in width by 17'-0" in length with a 23'-0" backup. Aisles, ramps, **columns**, offices or work areas are to be excluded from these rectangular areas, when designing underground parking areas.
- 8. All existing driveway approaches on which are to be abandoned shall be removed and replaced with curb and gutter and noted on the plan.
- 9. The applicant shall relocate the Owen Drive and Caromar Drive driveway approach to center onto Owen Drive where as the public crosswalk shall not be terminate in the proposed driveway approach for both sides of **S. Owen Drive** in accordance to Madison General Ordinance Section 10.08(4)(d). Vehicles ingressing and egressing the site will occur at the intersection.
- 10. The applicant shall modify all driveway approaches according to the design criteria for a "Class III" driveway in accordance to Madison General Ordinance Section 10.08(4). The proposed thirty (30) foot width for the driveway approach, with 5-foot flares and sidewalk across the approaches. This change shall be revised on the plan.
- 11. The ramp down to the underground parking shall be designed to accommodate low-clearance vehicles for a transition. The ramp breakover angle (limited by vehicle wheel-base and ground clearance) and angles of approach (affected by front overhang of vehicles) and departure (affected by rear overhang) are critical vehicle clearance points. Standards established by the Society of Automotive Engineers limit the ramp breakover angle to no less than 10 degrees; angle of departure, no less than 10 degrees; and angle of approach, no less than 15 degrees The applicant shall provide a profile of the ramp showing the slopes critical clearance, when plans are submitted for approval. The ramp down to underground parking percent of sloped shall be designed to accommodate low-clearance vehicles for a transition. The applicant shall provide a profile of the ramp showing the slopes critical clearance, when plans are submitted for approval.
- 12. The Developer shall post a deposit and reimburse the City for all costs associated with any modifications to Traffic Signals, Street Lighting, Signing and Pavement Marking, and conduit and handholes, including labor, engineering and materials for both temporary and permanent installations.
- 13. Public signing and marking related to the development may be required by the City Traffic Engineer for which the developer shall be financially responsible.

Please contact John Leach, City Traffic Engineering at 267-8755 if you have questions regarding the above items.

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